

**California Department of Education 2013–14  
Nonclassroom-Based Funding Determination  
Mitigating Circumstances Request Form**

**A. Charter Information**

Charter School:	<b>Butterfield Charter SchoolL</b>			Charter #	867
Charter Authorizer:	<b>Porterville Unified School District</b>			CDS Code:	<b>54-75523-0114348</b>
Requested Funding Determination %:	<b>60</b>	Years in Operation:	<b>6</b>	P2 ADA:	<b>261.73</b>

**B. Funding Determination Percentage** (CDE Funding Determination Form must be completed and filed with this form)

<b>Percent Funding Criteria per 5 CCR</b>	<b>Certificated Staff Ratio</b>	<b>Instruction and Related Services Ratio</b>	<b>Pupil toTeacher Ratio</b>
100% Funding [5 CCR, Sec. 11963.4 (a)(3)]	= or > 40%	= or > 80%	< 25 : 1
85% Funding [5 CCR, Sec. 11963.4 (a)(2)]	= or > 40%	= or > 70%	Not Applicable
70% Funding [5 CCR, Sec. 11963.4 (a)(1)]	= or > 35%	= or > 60%	Not Applicable
0% Funding [5 CCR, Sec. 11963.4 (a)(4)]	< 35%	< 60%	Not Applicable
<b>Enter charter school's calculated ratios from Form FDF</b>			
	<b>Certificated Staff Ratio</b>	<b>Instruction and Related Services Ratio</b>	<b>Pupil toTeacher Ratio</b>
a. 100% Funding [5 CCR, Sec. 11963.4 (a)(3)]	%	%	:
b. 85% Funding [5 CCR, Sec. 11963.4 (a)(2)]	%	%	N/A
c. 70% Funding [5 CCR, Sec. 11963.4 (a)(1)]	%	%	N/A
d. 0% Funding [5 CCR, Sec. 11963.4 (a)(4)]	37.22	47.21	14

**C. Charter School's Mitigating Circumstances**

*California Code of Regulations*, Title 5 (5 CCR), Sec. 11963.4(e): A reasonable basis for the ACCS to make a recommendation other than one that results from the criteria specified in subdivision (a) may include, but not be limited to, the following: the information provided by the charter school (FDF form) pursuant to paragraphs (2) through (8), inclusive, of subdivision (b) of section 11963.3, documented data regarding individual circumstances of the charter school (e.g., one-time or unique or exceptional expenses for facilities, acquisition of a school bus, acquisition and installation of computer hardware not related to the instructional program, special education charges levied on the charter school by a local educational agency, restricted state, federal, or private grants of funds awarded to the charter school that cannot be expended for teacher salaries, or contracted instructional services other than those for special education), the size of the charter school, and how many years the charter school has been in operation.

1. **Explain why the charter school failed to meet the 5 CCR requirements for funding, include specific action taken to comply.**

**2. Explain why identified expenses are unique or exceptional and warrant consideration as mitigating circumstances.**

Butterfield Charter is seeking a 60% funding determination for a two year based upon the funding determination calculation form. Butterfield is in the process of expanding services with additional instructors and instructional resources to meet the increased student need. This approval will allow Butterfield Charter High School to expand its' facilities and program offerings.

**3. Provide any other explanation that will assist the CDE and ACCS in making a decision on an appropriate funding determination.**

Butterfield Charter is seeking a 60% funding determination for a minimum two year period after which point will return in future years with full funding based upon funding determination guidelines.  
Based upon your review and approval the district is prepared to expand the facilities of the charter school while allowing additional students to access educational services provided by the charter school.

**D. Certification**

I certify that:

The information provided is true and correct to the best of my ability and knowledge.

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Signature of Charter School's Director, Principal, or Governing Board Chairperson

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Assistant Superintendent Business

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Title of Authorized Individual

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26-Nov-13

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Date